



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Michael Smith, Public Works Director

Date: 1/9/2012

Subject: Discussion of 2012 Capital Sidewalk Projects

ITEM DESCRIPTION

Discussion of 2012 Capital Sidewalk Projects

BACKGROUND

Based on the sidewalk improvement policy adopted in 2010, the City has completed nine sidewalk segments identified in the program including four located along school walking routes. These completed segments are highlighted in green on Attachment A. The three projects highlighted in red are currently under design through a Safe Routes to School federal grant.

BUDGET

The approved budget for 2012 includes \$1,150,000 for sidewalk construction.

PROJECT LIST

The proposed 2012 project list, highlighted in blue on Attachment "A", includes 14 individual sidewalk segments split nearly evenly between those within school walking zones and those outside of school walking zones. The current cost estimate based purely on an average cost per foot is approximately \$750,000 for these segments. The remaining \$300,000 of funding is reserved as follows: \$100,000 for design, \$50,000 for ramp retrofits on existing sidewalks to meet federal Americans with Disability Act (ADA) requirements and \$150,000 for a 15% contingency.

The recommended projects are generally the highest scoring remaining projects on the priority list. A few projects are recommended for deferral to future years pending other capital projects as noted in the last column of the table.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

I recommend approval of the 18 designated projects for design and construction.